

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

NOV 28 2005



**Medtronic**

---

## Facsimile Cover Sheet

### MEDTRONIC LAW DEPARTMENT - CONFIDENTIAL

**Attention:** Centralized Fax Number  
**Company:** United States Patent and Trademark Office  
**Telephone:**  
**Facsimile:** 571-273-8300  
**Application No.:** 10/698,874  
**Filing Date:** October 31, 2003

**From:** Anna M. Nelson  
**Telephone:** 763-505-0409  
**Facsimile:** 763-505-0411  
**Our Ref. No.:** P-10183.02US

**Date:** November 28, 2005

**Pages** (including cover page): 11

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO on the date shown above:

1. Transmittal form
2. Communication to Examiner

Anna M. Nelson  
Reg. No. 48,935

#### NOTICE

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FACSIMILE MESSAGE IS ATTORNEY PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION INTENDED ONLY FOR THE USE OF THE INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY NAMED ON THIS TRANSMITTAL FORM. IF THE READER OF THIS MESSAGE IS NOT THE INTENDED RECIPIENT, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT ANY DISSEMINATION, DISTRIBUTION, OR COPYING OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS COMMUNICATION IN ERROR, PLEASE IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY Jodi Nickel at (763) 505-0184. THANK YOU.

NOV 28 2005

PTO/SB/21 (09-04)

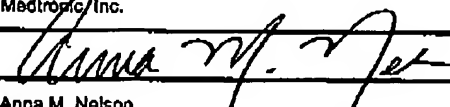
Approved for use through 07/31/2008. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

<b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b>  (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	10/698,874
	Filing Date	October 31, 2003
	First Named Inventor	Francesco Groco
	Art Unit	3736
	Examiner Name	not assigned yet
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	Attorney Docket Number	P-10183.02US

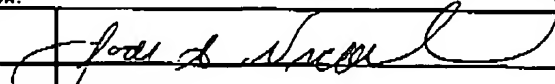
ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement  <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation <input type="checkbox"/> Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Table on CD	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to TC <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below): Communication
Remarks		

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Firm Name	Medtronic Inc.		
Signature			
Printed name	Anna M. Nelson		
Date	November 28, 2005	Reg. No.	48,935

## CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below:

Signature			
Typed or printed name	Jodi D. Nickel	Date	November 28, 2005

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

NOV 28 2005

PATENT  
Docket No.: P-10183.02US

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

---

In re Application of:	Francesco Greco	Group Art Unit:	3736
Application No.:	10/698,874	Examiner:	Not assigned net
Filing Date:	10/31/2003		
For:	Catheter System Having Disposable Balloon		

---

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited

☐ via first class mail with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage; or☒ facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Officeto Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on  
November 28, 2005.  
Jodi NickelMail Stop: Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

## COMMUNICATION

Based on an office action for related case 10/698,888 that was recently received, it appears that there may be some confusion regarding the pending claims.

In light of the transmittal letter filed with the application, indicating claims 1-19 and 31 were cancelled, claims 20-30 and 32-48 are currently pending in this application. For convenience, a copy of the pending claims is attached hereto.

**Pending Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.